

UTAH CROP PROGRESS

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CROP PROGRESS AND CONDITION WEEK ENDING JUNE 17, 2018

AGRICULTURAL SUMMARY: Utah saw some scattered precipitation last week, with 10 of 34 weather stations reporting 0.03 inches or more, according to the Mountain Regional Field Office of the National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA. Topsoil and subsoil moisture ratings fell slightly from the previous week. Alfalfa and other hay first cutting is progressing at 55 percent and 40 percent complete, respectively, behind both the previous year and 5 year averages. Barley and spring wheat heading are progressing, currently at 53 percent and 33 percent complete, respectively. Corn emergence is currently at 72 percent, behind the previous year and 5-year average. Cattle moved to pasture is nearing completion at 95 percent, although with poor range conditions poor ranchers are having to supplement their cattle. Winter wheat is nearly finished heading at 86 percent complete. Cache County reports hot weather has been ideal for putting up hay and crops are doing well where there is adequate moisture. Beaver County reports very dry conditions and ranchers not able to turn out all their cattle due to poor range conditions. Garfield and Kane Counties extremely dry conditions are persisting with no relief in sight and forage has been a major concern for livestock producers. Stock water supplies were rated 12 percent very short, 28 percent short, and 60 percent adequate. Irrigation water supplies were rated at 9 percent very poor, 10 percent poor, 23 percent fair, and 58 percent good.

CROP AND LIVESTOCK PROGRESS						
Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average		
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)		
Alfalfa						
1st cutting harvested	55	38	83	75		
Barley						
Headed	53	36	59	70		
Corn						
Emerged	72	66	95	95		
Oats						
Emerged	94	91	96	NA		
Headed	18	10	46	39		
Other Hay						
1st cutting harvested	40	22	71	59		
Spring wheat						
Headed	33	19	34	48		
Winter wheat						
Headed	86	68	81	88		
Cattle and calves						
Moved to pasture	95	90	NA	NA		

NA – not available

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Commodity	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
Days suitable for field work	7.0	7.0	6.8	6.8
Topsoil moisture	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Very short	18	14	4	11
Short	37	35	30	33
Adequate	45	51	66	55
Surplus				1
Subsoil moisture				
Very short	16	12		9
Short	40	39	20	33

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DAYS SUITABLE FOR FIELDWORK AND SOIL MOISTURE CONDITION

Surplus

NA – not available

Adequate

(--) – zero

CROP, LIVESTOCK, PASTURE AND RANGE CONDITION

	Current week	Previous week	Previous year	5-year average
	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)	(percent)
Alfalfa hay	4 /	, , ,	4 ,	4 /
Very poor			NA	NA
Poor	7	3	NA	NA
Fair	20	21	NA	NA
Good	64	66	NA	NA
Excellent	9	10	NA	NA
Barley		10	1111	1171
Very poor				
Poor				1
Fair	5	14	9	11
	70	64	71	67
Good	70 25	22	20	21
Excellent	23	22	20	21
Corn				
Very poor				
Poor				
Fair	19	21	9	17
Good	68	67	82	73
Excellent	13	12	9	10
Oats				
Very poor				
Poor				4
Fair	9	15	13	16
Good	82	75	77	71
Excellent	9	10	10	9
Other hay				
Very poor			NA	NA
Poor	7	2	NA	NA
Fair	13	22	NA	NA
Good	71	66	NA	NA
Excellent	9	10	NA	NA
Pasture and range	,	10	141	1171
Very poor	7	7		1
Poor	18	16	2	9
Fair	39	37	28	32
	33		57	49
Good	33	36		9
Excellent	3	4	13	9
Spring wheat				
Very poor	 ~			
Poor	5	7	6	3
Fair	15	23	23	18
Good	56	50	55	61
Excellent	24	20	16	18
Winter wheat				
Very poor	13	13		NA
Poor	13	14	7	NA
Fair	16	19	33	NA
Good	33	36	54	NA
Excellent	25	21	6	NA
Cattle and calves				
Very poor				
Poor	2	3		1
Fair	17	9	15	16
Good	68	77	78	71
Excellent	13	11	7	12
Sheep and lambs	13		,	12
Very poor				NA
	6	1		NA NA
Poor	21	16	27	
Fair		16	· ·	NA NA
Good	71	78	67	NA
Excellent	2	5	6	NA

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Utah's weather data can be accessed at the following: http://www.nass.usda.gov/Statistics by State/Utah/Publications/Crop Progress & Condition/2018/UT-Weather-06172018.pdf